

Amendments to the Claims

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) Integrated circuit (~~IC~~) comprising a network and a plurality of modules (~~M₁, M₂, M₃ up to and including M_n~~), which are arranged to communicate to each other via the network, wherein the network is arranged to establish transactions between a first module (~~M₁~~) and at least two second modules (~~M₂, M₃ up to and including M_n~~), the network being arranged to send a plurality of requests (~~REQ~~) from the first module to the second modules, and wherein the second modules are arranged to generate individual responses (~~RESP2, RESP3 up to and including RESPn~~) indicating a result of the execution of the requests (~~REQ~~), characterized in that the network is arranged to generate a single response (~~SRESP~~) to the first module (~~M₁~~), dependent on the individual responses (~~RESP2, RESP3 up to and including RESPn~~) of the second modules (~~M₂, M₃ up to and including M_n~~).

2. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) Integrated circuit (~~IC~~) according to claim 1, wherein the network comprises a network interface (NI) to generate the single response (~~SRESP~~) to the first module (~~M₁~~).

3. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) Integrated circuit (~~IC~~) according to claim 1, wherein the single response (~~SRESP~~) has a value which is dependent on a specific function of the individual responses (~~RESP2, RESP3 up to and including RESPn~~) of the second modules.

4. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) Integrated circuit (~~IC~~) according to claim 3, wherein the specific function is defined such that the value of the single response (~~SRESP~~) indicates that at least one of the second modules (~~M₂, M₃ up to and including M_n~~) has successfully executed the requests (~~REQ~~) issued by the first module (~~M₁~~).

5. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) Integrated circuit (~~IC~~) according to claim 3, wherein the specific function is defined such that the value of the single response (~~SRESP~~) indicates that each of the second modules (~~M₂, M₃ up to and including M_n~~) has successfully executed the requests (~~REQ~~) issued by the first module (~~M₁~~).

6. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) Integrated circuit (~~IC~~) according to claim 3, wherein the specific function is defined such that the value of the single response (~~SRESP~~) indicates a success if no error occurred and the value of the single response indicates a failure if at least one error occurred, wherein the value of the single response represents the most serious error.

7. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) Integrated circuit (~~IC~~) according to claim 3, wherein the specific function is defined such that the value of the single response (~~SRESP~~) indicates which types of error have occurred during execution of the requests (~~REQ~~).

8. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) Integrated circuit (~~IC~~) according to claim 1, wherein the individual responses (~~RESP2, RESP3 up to and including RESPn~~) carry data parts transmitted by the second modules (~~M₂, M₃ up to and including M_n~~), the single response (~~SRESP~~) comprising the data parts and indicating which data parts originate from which second modules.

9. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) Method for establishing transactions in an integrated circuit (IC) comprising a network and a plurality of modules (~~M₁, M₂, M₃ up to and including M_n~~), the transactions between the modules being established via the network, wherein the network sends a plurality of requests (~~REQ~~) from a first module (~~M₁~~) to at least two second modules (~~M₂, M₃ up to and including M_n~~), and wherein the second modules generate individual responses (~~RESP2, RESP3 up to and including RESPn~~) indicating a result of the execution of the requests (~~REQ~~), characterized in that the network generates a single response (SRESP) to the first module (~~M₁~~), dependent on the individual responses (~~RESP2, RESP3 up to and including RESPn~~) of the second modules (~~M₂, M₃ up to and including M_n~~).